

In the Progressive party and its candidates.

Mr. Penrose opposes us as a Republican. Mr. Lorimer (whose cause he championed) opposed us as a Republican. Mr. Penrose is now the leading representative in public life of the forces which Mr. Lorimer symbolizes. Like Lorimer, Mr. Penrose began as a good Republican and, as is the case with Mr. Lorimer, it is only in the last few years that we outside of Mr. Penrose's statements have grown to understand what Mr. Penrose is and what he stands for.

Mr. Penrose is the embodiment and the representative of all that is worst in our political life and in the alliance between business and politics which has done so much to degrade us politically and I hail his opposition with genuine and unfeigned joy. It is eminently fitting that Mr. Penrose, a nominal Republican, should be doing his best, with the Democrats who think as he does, to smash the Progressive party.

HE AND KING CAN MAKE NO TERMS WITH US.

"He uses the Republican machine and

can make terms with the Democratic machine. But he and his kind can make no terms with us, and our triumph will mean a definite retirement from political life of Penrose, of Lorimer and of all the evil forces these men and others like them typify and represent."

"We are the mortal enemies of him and his kind and of the hideous evil which they represent in our public life and he does right in opposing us, and acts naturally, too, in opposing us with every weapon in his foul armory. I count myself honored by his opposition and count that opposition as a certificate of character for the Progressive party, for it shows that the Progressive party and only the Progressive party and its leaders are the force really dreaded by the Penroses in our public life."

Then Mr. Roosevelt went to lunch. As he went into the elevator he heard somebody ask him something about John D. Archbold.

"I never knew of Archbold in the matter and never heard of his name in connection with any campaign contribution until Mr. Penrose mentioned it day before yesterday," he called back.

Roosevelt Was Told of Big Fund, Says Archbold

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—Swinging sharply from a defense of Senator Boies Penrose of Pennsylvania to a vehement attack on Col. Theodore Roosevelt, John D. Archbold, the active head of the Standard Oil Corporation, today told a Senate investigating committee that Standard Oil money helped elect Roosevelt in 1904. Then he charged that because a second contribution was refused Roosevelt instigated a "most outrageous persecution" against the Oil Trust.

Archbold said the Standard Oil Company contributed \$100,000 to Cornelius N. Bliss, treasurer of the Republican National Committee in 1904, for the national campaign and also gave Senator Penrose \$25,000 to help carry Pennsylvania. He swore he was informed that Roosevelt and George B. Cortelyou of the Republican committee both knew of the trust money having been given. Bliss, he declared, told him so. A few weeks later, the magnate declared, Bliss asked for \$100,000 more. It was refused. "Bliss told me we were making a serious mistake," said Archbold. "As a personal friend," he said, "I'd advise you to make this additional contribution."

Almost immediately after Roosevelt's election Archbold said the "persecution" of Standard Oil was begun. "Darkest Africa never witnessed such an outrageous persecution," he said. "The inference was plain—it was because we had refused to make the additional contribution. Mr. Bliss himself said it would have been different if I had done as he asked us to."

Under cross-examination by Senator Penrose Archbold declared that the Pennsylvania Senator's charge that William Flinn of Pittsburgh had wired and bought Archbold to assist him to become Senator from Pennsylvania, was true.

He swore to the accuracy of letters and other evidence which Penrose read to the Senate on Wednesday.

For more than two hours Archbold parried under a grilling inquisition. Senator Clapp, Chairman of the Investigating Committee, Senators Penrose of Ohio and Oliver of Pennsylvania, were the chief cross-examiners. Three times Archbold went over his entire story. He was unshaken in any important detail.

Archbold was hailed here today from New York just before sailing for Europe. His entire story substantiated the dramatic statement by Senator Penrose last Wednesday in the Senate. The Standard Oil head backed up every material charge by Penrose.

DISCUSS ADVISABILITY OF CALLING ROOSEVELT.

When Mr. Archbold finished his testimony several members of the committee conferred over the advisability of inviting Mr. Roosevelt to testify. Mr. Penrose wants the committee to subpoena the Colonel.

Mr. Archbold's testimony, however, was regarded of such importance that it was determined to call William Rockefeller, if he health will permit, and to recall George B. Cortelyou, Republican National Chairman in 1904, who appeared before the committee May 11 and could not recall that any contributions were used in the Roosevelt campaign. Mr. Cortelyou also testified at that time that he had never heard of a contribution by Mr. Archbold or any one on his behalf.

Senator Penrose followed Mr. Archbold on the stand. He introduced into the record the statement regarding the \$25,000 contribution to the Pennsylvania campaign fund of 1904 by John D. Archbold and the contribution of \$100,000 to the national campaign fund, which he made Wednesday in the Senate.

Senator Penrose said he never had discussed Standard Oil contributions with Mr. Cortelyou, but he believed the subject of contributions had come up casually in conversations he had had with President Roosevelt, both before and after the election of 1904.

"While no direct reference was made to the contributions in 1904, I believed that the President was cognizant of the habit of Standard Oil to contribute to every campaign since 1895," said Penrose.

He was positive that Mr. Roosevelt never had suggested to him that the Standard Oil money be returned. He again referred to the letter which President Roosevelt wrote thanking him for his "extraordinary efforts" Senator Penrose obtained a promise that the letter would be inserted in the record.

Anticipating sensational disclosures, a big crowd packed the committee room and adjacent corridors an hour before the hearing was scheduled to begin. Scores of Senators and Representatives were drawn from their legislative work by the expectation that Archbold would make some astounding revelations as to his part in Republican campaign successes. Hundreds of citizens, including many women, sought seats or standing room.

ARCHBOLD TAKES A RAP AT PENROSE.

The public, however, was barred, the

committee ruling that only Senators, members of the House and newspapermen had a right to the hearing.

Nine o'clock is almost an unprecedented hour for meetings on the Senate side of the Capitol and the hearings were delayed more than half an hour waiting for a quorum of the committee. Archbold and Penrose were among the early arrivals.

Archbold, in unostentatiously and took a seat, waiting his call to the stand. Finally a quorum was secured and the following committee members seated:

Senators Clapp, Republican of Minnesota, Chairman; Jones, Republican of Washington, Oliver, Republican of Pennsylvania, and Penrose, Democrat of Ohio.

While waiting for some of the committee members to appear Archbold puffed a cigarette and read the newspapers, particularly the headlines containing his name. Penrose enjoyed a cigar, gossiping with the committee members and waiting for his call to the stand.

Archbold audibly tossed a New York newspaper over to Penrose and said: "Here, Senator, if you want to see what kind of a man you are, read this paper."

The paper bitterly assailed Penrose. The Senator's face did not shine with pleasure as he followed Archbold's suggestion.

Mr. Archbold took the witness stand at 9:50 A. M. He was sworn with upraised hand, and gave his name and residence.

Senator Clapp conducted the direct examination.

"In the year 1904 I was the Vice-President of the Standard Oil Company," said Archbold, in prefacing his testimony.

"Do you recall when Mr. Bliss died?" asked Clapp. "I do not."

"What contributions did you make to the Republican campaign of 1904?" "I made two contributions," said Archbold. "One to Mr. Bliss of \$100,000 and \$25,000 to Senator Penrose. It was some time in September. It was given to Mr. Bliss in currency."

He was alone in my office at No. 55 Broadway, New York. Mr. Bliss sent me a receipt for the money, but I have not found it. I hope to find it."

Archbold promised to try to find the Bliss receipt and produce it.

"I was alone before with Mr. Bliss, early in September, either in my office or that of Mr. H. H. Rogers. Certain matters were talked over and we agreed to contribute \$100,000," said Archbold.

"Mr. Rogers is dead too?" "Yes."

"Did you send a check for \$25,000 to Mr. Penrose?"

"No, sir. I do not find any record of that. I think I paid it in currency. No copy of any such letters as have been published."

"My agreement and the payment, I think, was made at my office. The nature of the signature attached to the published letters makes them look suspicious," the witness added.

"Was any one present with you and Penrose?"

"Not that I recall; possibly Mr. Jones. He had a good deal of responsibility in this matter."

"You were the man in charge of these matters?"

"Only in some localities."

DECLINED TO MAKE FURTHER CONTRIBUTIONS.

"Mr. Bliss was cognizant of the \$25,000 I gave to Mr. Penrose," added Archbold.

"After the payment of the \$25,000 did you have any conference with any of the national committee?" asked Senator Clapp.

"I did," said Archbold. "With Mr. Bliss early in October—the first or second day—perhaps two or three conferences. Mr. Rogers may have been there."

"The result was that we declined to make further contributions as requested."

"Did you have any conference with Mr. Cortelyou?"

"No, none at all."

"I did not have any conferences with reference to any contributions, but only regarding the progress of Senator Bliss and Senator Penrose."

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